



# Saguaro National Park (East)

## Naturalist Program Schedule

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Programs meet at the Rincon Mountain Visitor Center, 3693 S. Old Spanish Trail. Program schedules are subject to change. Call the visitor center at (520) 733-5153 for updates or to make *RESERVATIONS*.  
*Programs marked with an \* are wheelchair accessible.*

### December 20 – December 26, 2010

#### Monday, December 20

**11:00 a.m. Desert Adaptations\***

Join a park naturalist on this 30-minute garden walk to learn how plants have unique ways of adapting to their desert environment.

#### Tuesday, December 21

**9:00 a.m. Desert Morning Hike**

Join a park naturalist for this 3-hour, 4-mile exploration of Saguaro National Park. Wear sturdy hiking shoes and bring water and a trail snack.

**10:00 a.m. Sonoran Lifestyles**

Join a park naturalist on this 2-hour, 1-mile walk to discover how plants and animals adapt to life in the desert. Wear comfortable walking shoes and bring water.

**2:30 p.m. Reptiles and Amphibians of the Sonoran Desert\***

Join park naturalist Bob Brandner for this 30-minute presentation to discover the fascinating world of reptiles and amphibians.

#### Wednesday, December 22

**9:00 a.m. Desert Morning Hike**

Join a park naturalist for this 3-hour, 4-mile exploration of Saguaro National Park. Wear sturdy hiking shoes and bring water and a trail snack.

#### Thursday, December 23

**10:00 Desert Discovery**

Join park naturalists on this two-hour, 2-mile walk to discover the secrets of the Sonoran Desert. Wear comfortable walking shoes and bring water.

**2:00 p.m. Wildlife Detective\***

Join a park naturalist on the visitor center patio to learn how you too can become a wildlife detective by knowing what signs to look for.

#### Friday, December 24

**10:00 a.m. Sonoran Lifestyles**

Join a park naturalist on this 2-hour, 1-mile walk to discover how plants and animals adapt to life in the desert. Wear comfortable walking shoes and bring water.

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**Saturday, December 25**

*Closed Christmas Day – Happy Holidays!*

**Sunday, December 26**

**11:00.m.                    Gathering the Desert\***

Join Park Ranger Laura Bolyard in the Cactus Garden for an easy 45-minute stroll to learn how desert plants have been used for food, shelter, medicine and more.

**3:00 p.m.                    Back from the Brink\***

What do you mean there were grizzly bears in Arizona? Join a park ranger in the visitor center auditorium to explore the natural history of the grizzly (and 2 other top predators) that once roamed in what is now Saguaro National Park. We will take a look at their past, present and future status in the American Southwest.